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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE

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During the month of January, many activities are being planned throughout Los Angeles County to focus attention on the importance of early detection and prevention of cervical cancer. Four years ago, the Department of Health Services' Office of Women's Health initiated the Cervical Cancer Prevention and Education Initiative to increase awareness that cervical cancer is preventable with routine Pap tests, increase the number of women screened, lower the stage at diagnosis, and increase access to screening, follow-up and treatment by addressing barriers to care.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has taken an active leadership role in addressing the incidence of cervical cancer in the County by approving the Cervical Cancer Best Practices and Free Pap Test Friday pilot program, partially funding the Cervical Cancer Prevention and Education Initiative (CCPEI), in conjunction with The California Endowment, and annually proclaiming January as "Cervical Cancer Awareness Month." During January 2004, the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services Office of Women's Health will be culminating the CCPEI multi-cultural,

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multimedia campaign, begun two years ago, by presenting the results of the campaign to elected officials and community partners at the fifth and final CCPEI Community Meeting on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004 at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion.

Through hard work and determination, the Office of Women's Health, elected officials and community partners have made a successful contribution towards raising awareness, increasing the number of women screened, and working towards cervical cancer prevention. We hope that the work we have begun will be continued through the efforts of our community partners and that awareness about the prevention of cervical cancer will continue to grow.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT the Board of Supervisors:

1. Proclaim the month of January 2004 as "Cervical Cancer Awareness Month" throughout Los Angeles County in recognition of the LAC-DHS Office of Women's Health completion of the CCPEI multi-cultural, multimedia outreach and education campaign and many other activities that were implemented to increase awareness that cervical cancer is preventable with routine screening exams that lead to its early detection and treatment; and
2. Encourage County departments to provide educational activities for department staff, coordinate and participate in community outreach activities, and provide screening exams for low-income women during January 2004 to increase awareness that cervical cancer is preventable with a routine Pap test; and

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3. Request the Performing Arts Center of Los Angeles County to waive fees in the amount of \$800.00, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of the Grand Hall at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion on January 15, 2004 for the Cervical Cancer Prevention & Education Initiative Community Meeting; and
4. Waive the parking fees in the amount of \$9,000.00 for an estimated 500 cars at the Music Center garage for attendees of the Community Meeting; and
5. Instruct the Auditor-Controller to work with the Director of Health Services in making arrangements to provide Cervical Cancer Awareness Month information in the December 30, 2003 paychecks of all County employees.

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